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SUBJECT: UNGA SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSION

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1. WE HAVE COMMENTED IN REFTTEL A ON THE GROUP OF 77
PROPOSALS FOR THE AGENDA OF THE UNGA SEVENTH SPECIAL
SESSION (7SS) IN REFTTEL B AND HAVE INDICATED SUBJECT
AREAS WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE DISCUSSED. RANKING EQUALLY
IN OUR VIEW WITH THE SUBJECTS TO BE DISCUSSED IS THE
MATTER OF THE PROCEDURES TO BE FOLLOWED IN 7SS. THIS
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TELEGRAM FOCUSES ON A PROCEDURAL PROPOSAL WHICH THE U.S.
IS CONSIDERING PRESENTING AT THE JUNE PREPCOM. WE WISH
YOU TO DISCUSS IT WITH OTHER WEO DELEGATIONS AND LDC
DELEGATIONS AND TO RAISE IT AT THE NEXT INFORMAL MEETING

OF THE PREPCOM AS A PROPOSAL WE ARE CONSIDERING MAKING AT THE FORMAL MEETING IN JUNE.

2. IN ORDER THAT 7SS MAY ACHIEVE PROGRESS TOWARD THE RESOLUTION OF THE PROBLEMS WHICH IT CHOOSES TO DISCUSS AND AVOID UNPRODUCTIVE CONFRONTATIONS OVER GENERAL PRINCIPLES WHICH COUNTRIES HOLD TO BE FUNDAMENTAL, THE U.S. PROPOSES THAT THE PARTICIPANTS IN 7SS AGREE NOT TO EMPLOY THE MECHANISM OF RESOLUTIONS AT THIS SPECIAL SESSION.

INSTEAD THE 7SS WOULD ISSUE A SEPARATE REPORT WITH RESPECT TO EACH SUBSTANTIVE AGENDA ITEM WHICH WOULD (1) DELINEATE THE ISSUES INVOLVED, (2) SUMMARIZE THE PRINCIPAL POINTS OF VIEW ON THE ISSUES, AND (3) ESTABLISH PRIORITIES AND INDICATE APPROPRIATE FORA FOR FURTHER DISCUSSIONS, WORK OR INTERGOVERNMENTAL NEGOTIATIONS, AS APPROPRIATE. THE 7SS COULD ISSUE DECISIONS WHEN (1) A CONSENSUS IS REACHED OF ALL PARTICIPANTS AND (2) THE GROUP DESIRES TO MARK AN ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT STEP SUCH AS A RECOMMENDATION FOR GIVING A SIGNIFICANT IMPULSE TO WORK ON THE ISSUE OR A RECOMMENDATION TO UNDERTAKE MAJOR INTERGOVERNMENTAL NEGOTIATIONS.

3. YOU SHOULD, AS YOU DEEM APPROPRIATE, INDICATE TO OTHER DELEGATIONS THAT WE CONSIDER THAT ATTEMPTS BY G-77 TO USE THE NIEO RESOLUTIONS AND THE CERDS AS A BASIS FOR 7SS DISCUSSION WOULD CREATE PROCEDURAL OBSTACLES TO SUBSTANTIVE CONSIDERATION OF CONCRETE PROBLEMS. THE PROCEDURE WE HAVE IN MIND TO PROPOSE WOULD ALLOW THE 7SS TO ESTABLISH BENCHMARKS FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF SPECIFIC PROBLEMS, AND POSSIBLY REACH CONSENSUS ON THE MOST APPROPRIATE FORA AND DIRECTION OF WORK TO MAKE PROGRESS TOWARD SOLUTIONS. MOREOVER, IT MIGHT HELP CREATE A MORE COOPERATIVE CLIMATE IN WHICH TO DEAL WITH THE PROBLEMS. DECISIONS, WHICH WOULD REPRESENT A TRUE CONSENSUS OF THE PRINCIPAL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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INTEREST GROUPS INVOLVED RATHER THAN MERELY THE AGREEMENT OF THE PREPONDERANCE OF THE PARTICIPANTS, SHOULD BE SPECIFIC AND CONCRETE IN INDICATING THE DIRECTION OF FURTHER WORK ON AN ISSUE. THE PRODUCT OF THE 7SS WOULD BE MORE CERTAIN OF LEADING TO PRACTICAL RESULTS BECAUSE IT WOULD HAVE TAKEN ACCOUNT OF ALL PARTICIPANTS HAVING SIGNIFICANT INTEREST IN THE ISSUES.

4. WE UNDERSTAND VARIOUS OF THE REASONS WHY THE LDCS AND MORE PARTICULARLY COUNTRIES EXERCISING LEADERSHIP OF THE LDCS ARE LIKELY TO REJECT THIS PROPOSED PROCEDURAL CHANGE, BUT WE WOULD APPRECIATE OPINIONS ON

THIS PROPOSAL, OR OTHER POSSIBLE INITIATIVES ALONG THESE
LINES FROM OTHER DELEGATIONS AT THE UN. WHATEVER ITS
CHANCES OF ACCEPTANCE BY THE LDCS, WE ARE CONSIDERING
PRESENTING THE PROPOSAL AS A WAY OF INDICATING U.S.
WILLINGNESS TO DEAL WITH THE SPECIFICS OF THE ECONOMIC
ISSUES IF THE INTERESTS OF ALL PARTIES CAN BE GIVEN A
HEARING AND NEGOTIATING FRAMEWORKS APPROPRIATE TO THE
SPECIFIC ISSUES INVOLVED CAN BE SELECTED. KISSINGER

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